Calais Planning Commission

Unofficial Meeting Minutes October 15, 2013

Present Members: Rich Quelch, John McCullough, Gary Root, Janice Ohlsson, and Jack Russell.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Public Attendants:

- Betsy Parah
- Scott Bassage
- Marge Garfield
- Nick Emlen

Zoning Regulation Questions

Marge Garfield Comments/Questions

- It does not seem like we have lost much of our forest land and much of Calais is forest land now.
- Logging could be more destructive than development.
- It does not make sense to encourage development within the Village District.
- How come PUD's do not do what you want them to do? Can the structure of the PUD be changed?

Review Zoning Regulation

Impervious Surface

New Definition: "Impervious surface" means any roof surface attached to a permanent structure, decks, patios, and paved, gravel, or crush stone driveways, parking areas, and walkways unless designed to effectively absorb or infiltrate water.

Gary made a motion to accept the new definition. Janice seconded the motion.

Members voted in favor of the change by voice. (5-0-0)

Historic Barns

Members discussed Section 4.7 and its intent.

Members decided to table the discussion.

Current Zoning Revision

Members reviewed the modified document.

Gary made a motion to accept the current changes and to submit the current revision to the Selectboard for review.

Motion was seconded by Rich.

Members voted in favor to forward the current version on to the Selectboard for review by voice vote. (5-0-0)

Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the October 1 meeting were approved without change by voice vote. (5-0-0) Minutes from the October 8 joint meeting were approved without change by voice vote. (5-0-0)